

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The subject Office Action rejected claims 1-4 and 10-13 and allowed claims 5-9, 14 and 15.

Applicants have canceled claims 1-4 and 10-13. Applicants have also added new claims 16-19 as follows. Claim 16 depends from allowed claim 5 and adds additional limitations thereto corresponding essentially to the limitations found in canceled claim 2. Claim 17 depends from allowed claim 5 and adds additional limitations thereto corresponding essentially to the limitations found in canceled claim 3. Claim 18 depends from allowed claim 5 and adds additional limitations thereto corresponding essentially to the limitations found in canceled claim 11. And, Claim 19 depends from allowed claim 14 and adds additional limitations thereto corresponding essentially to the limitations found in canceled claim 11. All new claims should be allowable forthwith in as much as they add additional limitations to already allowed claims and comprise subject matter already searched in support of prior Office Actions.

In view of the above, applicants believes that all pending claims 5-9 and 14-19 are in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request that all pending claims be allowed to proceed to issue.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the contents of the present response he may contact applicants' attorney at the phone number appearing below.

Any fees associated with this response may be charged to General Motors Deposit Account No. 07-0960.

Respectfully submitted,



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